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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF OREGON MEDFORD DIVISION

## JARED BURGER, an individual,

Plaintiff,

v.

ESTES EXPRESS LINES, a foreign business corporation; John Doe I, an individual,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:22-cv-00217

### NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Klamath County Circuit Court Case No. 21CV47717

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

TO: The Judges of the United States District Court for the District of Oregon; AND TO: Clerk of the Court, Klamath County Circuit Court of the State of Oregon;

AND TO: Plaintiff Jared Burger and his attorney of record, Dipendra Rana:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1441 and 1446, Defendant Estes Express Lines hereby removes to this Court the case now pending in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Klamath, Case No. 21CV47717 and entitled *Jared* 

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**Williams Kastner** 1515 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 600 Portland, OR 97201-5449 Telephone: (503) 228-7967 • Fax (503) 222-7261 Burger v. Estes Express Lines, et al.. A copy of the Amended Complaint is attached hereto as

Exhibit A and made part of this Notice.

As grounds for removal, Defendant Estes Express Lines states as follows:

A. Notice of removal is timely

1. On December 16, 2021, plaintiff Jared Burger filed this action which is now

pending in Klamath County Circuit Court as Jared Burger v. Estes Express Lines., Case No.

21CV47717. Estes Express Lines was served with the Summons and Complaint on January 24,

2022.

2. This Notice of Removal is timely filed under 28 U.S.C. §1446(b), which

provides that a notice of removal must be filed within 30 days after a defendant receives, by

service or otherwise, the initial pleading.

3. No other defendants are named in this action.

4. No further proceedings have been had in the Circuit Court of Klamath County as

of the date of filing of this removal.

B. **Diversity Jurisdiction Exists** 

1. This is a civil action over which this Court has original jurisdiction pursuant to

28 U.S.C. §1332. This action may be removed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1441 because the action

involves a controversy between citizens of different states; the defendant is not a citizen of the

state of Oregon; and the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interest and

costs.

2. Plaintiff Burger is/was, at the time he filed his complaint, a citizen and resident

of the state of Oregon. (Amended Complaint, ¶1).

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3. Defendant Estes Express Lines is/was, at the time the plaintiff filed his

complaint, a California corporation authorized to do business in the State of Oregon.

(Amended Complaint, ¶2).

4. Defendant John Doe is an individual not yet named. (Amended Complaint ¶2).

4. Plaintiff alleges money damages of more than \$75,000, exclusive of interest and

costs. (Amended Complaint, ¶11).

C. Removal to this District is proper.

> 1. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1332, 1441 and 1446, removal of the above-captioned

state court action to this court is appropriate.

2. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1441(a), removal is made to this Court as the district and

division embracing the place where the state action is pending.

3. The defendant is providing to the plaintiff through its lawyer, written notice of

the filing of this Notice of Removal. Furthermore, the defendant is filing a copy of this Notice

of Removal with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Klamath County, Oregon, where the action is

currently pending.

DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.

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By <u>/s/ Heidi L. Mandt</u>

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I served the foregoing NOTICE OF REMOVAL on the following attorneys on the  $11^{th}$  day of February 2022 by the methods indicated below:

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